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(As amended during the August 12, 2004 meeting of the California Bay-Delta Authority.)

CALIFORNIA BAY-DELTA AUTHORITY RESOLUTION 04-08-04 ADOPTING THE DELTA IMPROVEMENTS PACKAGE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the CALFED Record of Decision calls for a balanced approach to addressing water supply reliability, water quality improvement, ecosystem restoration, and levee system integrity, supported by sound science; and

WHEREAS, the State and Federal agencies will take actions related to State and Federal water project operations in the Delta over the next few years, and recognize that many of the proposed actions are interrelated and that decisions on key components must be coordinated; and

WHEREAS, the State and Federal agencies recognize the importance of coordinated decision-making and moving forward with a package of actions that is consistent with CALFED Program's principle of balance; and

WHEREAS, the State and Federal agencies recognize the Solution Principles, including "no significant redirected impacts," and the Implementation Commitments, including project-specific "environmental documentation," as stated in the CALFED Record of Decision apply to implementation of the Delta Improvements Package; and

WHEREAS, the staff from the agencies have developed the Delta Improvements Package Implementation Plan that clarifies the roles, responsibilities and commitments of the agencies in the implementation of programs, projects, evaluations and monitoring focused on the Delta region that advance the CALFED Bay-Delta Program goals in the areas of water supply reliability, water quality, ecosystem restoration, levee system integrity, and science;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the California Bay-Delta Authority adopts the Delta Improvements Package Implementation Plan, and directs Authority staff, working with the implementing agencies, to report on the Implementation Plan annually in the context of the development of the multi-year program plans, and to make appropriate modifications, as necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the adoption of this resolution is conditioned upon the written support of the Implementation Plan from all of the Federal agencies listed therein.